FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H. 3772

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TO: The Honorable Leon Howard, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Schedule II Prescriptions

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 3772 amends Section 44-53-360 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding that prescriptions for Schedule II controlled substances cannot be refilled earlier than 48 hours before the previously filled prescription would be exhausted, except in the case of a terminally ill patient or if the prescribing physician indicates otherwise on the prescription.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Health & Environmental Control

There is no impact on the agency or on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other Funds. Pharmacists are responsible for keeping such records.

Department of Health & Human Services

The Department reports this Bill would have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds as the Bill would not prompt an increase in drug and/or drug dispensing fee costs.

Department of Mental Health

The Department indicates this Bill would have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds as it should seldom be in position to prescribe Schedule II prescriptions on an ongoing basis.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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None.

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